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Re: Authorization for Signature for Statement Under 37 CFR 3.73(b)

Dear Sir/Madam:

I am the Senior Managing Director, Group Executive for Corporate Intellectual Property and Legal Headquarters of Canon Kabushiki Kaisha. I am authorized to sign documents (e.g., Statements Under 37 CFR 3.73(b)) on behalf of Canon Kabushiki Kaisha. I am hereby providing authorization for the Practitioner(s) associated with Customer Number 34904 (Canon U.S.A. Inc. Intellectual Property Division) to sign the Statement Under 37 CFR 3.73(b) submitted herewith. If there are any questions regarding this authorization, please direct them to Marlene Klein at (949) 932-3132.

Sincerely yours,

CANON INC.

Nobuyoshi Tanaka, Ph.D.
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